



CICP PROVIDER AND STAKEHOLDER FORUM

The CICP Administration is pleased to announce it has selected fourteen provider members and two community stakeholder groups to serve as members of the Provider and Stakeholder forum. This is a result of the recommendation at the March 26, 2007 CICP Provider Meeting. The CICP staff has sent a letter to solicit interested providers wishing to participate as a forum member and received an overwhelming response.

The first Provider and Stakeholder Forum meeting will be on **October 10, 2007 from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.** at 225 East 16th Avenue in the first floor conference room. A conference line will be available for those who cannot attend the meeting in person and for other CICP providers who would like to listen in and provide feedback.

In addition to the required participation of Denver Heath Medical Center and University Hospital, the forum will also have participation from McKee Medical Center, Montrose Hospital, St. Thomas Moore Hospital, The Memorial Hospital (Craig), St. Mary Corwin Hospital, Colorado Plains Medical Center, and Parkview Medical Center. Also joining will be Peak Vista Community Health Center, Colorado Coalition for the Homeless, High Plains Community Health Center, Pueblo Community Health Center, and Denver Indian Health and Family Services. Finally, the forum will have representation from the Colorado Center on Law and Policy (CCLP) and other stakeholders. These stakeholder groups will be able to provide valuable input from the client perspective and their participation will be an integral part of the forum.

The purpose of the forum is to discuss issues, brainstorm solutions and collectively resolve problematic issues that are statewide and/or unique to a specific geographic area. The issues and solutions presented at the forum may not be applicable to all providers and therefore the CICP staff requests your patience as the Department, providers, and stakeholders work together on these issues and solutions. This is not an eligibility or billing training session. This is an opportunity for providers and stakeholders alike to provide significant input on the program.

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If you would like to attend the forum meeting that will be held on October 10th, please **RSVP by October 5th, 2007** by email to Corinne.Lamberson@state.co.us or by phone at 303-866-2580. Please specify if you will be attending the meeting in person or by conference call and, if applicable, you will be given the conference call information at that time. Additionally, if you have a topic or issue you would like to place on the agenda please also include this in your RSVP. Please note, the forum may not be able to address all suggested topics during the first meeting. In the event that a topic was not discussed it will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

FY 2008 CICP PROGRAM MANUAL

The Fiscal Year 2008 CICP Program Manual was mailed to providers. There were only minor changes to the manual including earned income calculation methods, definition of work-study income, clarify self employment documentation, updated board value table, and client copayment clarification of observation stays.

Please ensure that your satellite facilities receive a copy of the manual as it was mailed only to the main contracted provider. The manual is available online for you to print additional copies if you wish. It can be located at <http://www.chcpf.state.co.us/HCPF/cicp/filesindex.asp>.

NEWS FROM THE PROVIDERS

Providers Joining CICP:

Medical Center of the Rockies, Loveland

Effective: July 1, 2007

Providers No Longer Participating in CICP:

Durango Primary Care Clinic, Valley Wide Health Systems

Southwest Children's Clinic, Valley Wide Health Systems

REMINDER OF CICP DATA COLLECTION DEADLINES

October 31, 2007	1 st Quarter Report Covering July 1, 2007 – September 30, 2007
October 31, 2007	Final FY 2006-07 Data Covering July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007

All CICP providers must submit complete CICP data in the proper format to the CICP administration for FY 2006-07 (July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007) by **October 31, 2007**. All data submissions are on a year-to-date format. The data you submit in October 2007 covers the entire period of July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007. The CICP administration maintains the quarterly data submissions for progressive and accurate documentation. All FY 2006-07 data collection files are available from the CICP website.

Please send all CICP data files and data related questions to Daniel Nunez until further notice. Daniel can be reached at 303-866-6198 or Daniel.Nunez@state.co.us

SECTION STAFF CHANGES

The Safety Net Programs Section is pleased to announce the addition of a new staff member. Carol Rieder joined the Safety Net Programs Section in June 2007, as the new Safety Net Program Grant Coordinator. Carol has worked in Colorado State Government for 10 years. Three of those years were spent in HCPF's Program Development Section working on the Safety Net Project, funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Five of those years were spent in HCPF's Acute Care Benefits Section as the Early Periodic, Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Program Administrator. Carol will be working on the Primary Care Fund and Comprehensive Primary and Preventive Care Grant program. She is excited to be back with the Department and looks forward to catching up with old colleagues and making new friends.

HOUSE BILL 06S-1023 UPDATE

During a special session in 2006, the Colorado General Assembly created House Bill (HB) 06S-1023, which requires certain individuals applying for state benefits to complete an Affidavit and provide proper Identification Documents as part of the required proof of lawful presence in the United States. The final rules promulgated by the Department of Revenue for documents that establish lawful presence in the United States went into effect August 1, 2007. The affidavit and identification requirements are currently under review by the Department's Attorney General. The Department expects to have updated instructions issued on January 1, 2008. Providers will be issued more information once the review has been completed and are instructed to follow the current policy until official instructions have been issued. There has been no change to the current policy or instructions since the October 2006 CICIP Provider Newsletter. Current policy and instructions can be found on our website at: http://www.chcpf.state.co.us/HCPF/cicp/CPaffd_index.asp

CICIP ELIGIBILITY CLARIFICATION

The CICIP staff received a multitude of program eligibility inquiries each week. In order to provide consistent guidance, reoccurring questions or thematic issues that arise will be clarified for all providers in this newsletter. Often times if one provider asks a question, another provider may have the exact same if not a similar question. Additionally, issues that have been resolved by the provider and stakeholder forum will also be clarified in this section so that those who could not participate in the meeting can continue to receive the latest updates.

1. Are Aid to the Needy and Disabled (AND) payments exempt income?

No, AND income is a countable source of unearned income and should be factored in as an applicants income on Worksheet 1. The only instance in which AND income is exempt is when AND payments are received by a Medicaid client. In this case the AND Medicaid client would not be eligible for CICIP, however, should be counted in family size.

2. How does the CICIP view money that is invested in a Certificate of Deposit (CD)?

The CICIP manual states that 'short-term' CD's are a liquid resource when in fact short-term and long-term CD's are resources that can be converted to cash. Most short-term and long-term CD's have an early withdrawal penalty if funds are removed before the maturity date of the CD, although this can vary depending on the terms and conditions of the CD. For the purposes of CICIP, you must count the principal (amount of original investment) of a CD as a resource regardless of the maturity date of the CD. Do not subtract the penalty for an early withdrawal from the principal. If an applicant has recently cashed in a CD that reached its maturity date you need to count the principal in addition to the interest earned.